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2406-30 STOCKTON STREET

BALTIMORE CITY, MD

This row is an Italianate alley row of standard red brick, two-story, two-bay construction. Stone steps are placed parallel to the building facade, due to the narrowness of the street. The door and window openings are segmental. Private access.

MD INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES FORM  
SANDTOWN-WINCHESTER SURVEY

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name N/A

other names/site number alley dwellings/ B-4465 (preferred)

2. Location

street & number 2406-30 Stockton St.

not for publication

city or town Baltimore

vicinity N/A

state Maryland

code MD

county Baltimore City

code 510

zip code 21217

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

N/A

4. National Park Service Certification

N/A

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- ☒ private  
☐ public-local  
☐ public-State  
☐ public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- ☒ building(s)  
☐ district  
☐ site  
☐ structure  
☐ object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing

Noncontributing

13

buildings

sites

structures

objects

Total

13

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Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) N/A

## 6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC

Sub: multiple dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC

Sub: multiple dwelling

## 7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Italianate

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation

roof

walls BRICK

other WOOD

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.) See continuation sheet.

8. Statement of Significance See continuation sheet.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Community Planning and Development  
Ethnic Heritage

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Period of Significance c. 1899-1940

Significant Dates 1899-1901

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder Louis C. Roth, builder (?)  
William P. Ehlen, developer/builder

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.) See continuation sheet.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

### Maps

Bromley, G.W. and Co. Atlas of the City of Baltimore, Vol. 1. Philadelphia: 1885, 1896.  
Hopkins, G.M. Map of the City of Baltimore, Maryland. 1876, 1877.  
Sanborn Map Company. Insurance Maps, Baltimore, Maryland, Vols. 2,3, and 7. New York: 1890, 1901, 1914, 1928.  
Simmons, Isaac. 1852 Revision of the Thomas H. Poppleton Map. Baltimore: 1852.

Baltimore City Directories

Baltimore City Land Records

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Lot = \_\_\_\_\_

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UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	—	—	—	3	—	—
2	—	—	—	4	—	—

— See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

Block 294, Lots 69-81

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The boundaries are based on a city lot(s) retaining original property lines.

11. Form Prepared By

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Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name multiple owners  
street&number \_\_\_\_\_ telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
city or town Baltimore state MD zip code 21217

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National Park Service

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county and State

HISTORIC CONTEXT

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

Chronological/Developmental Period(s): Industrial/Urban Dominance

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Landscape  
Architecture, and Community Planning; Social/Education/Cultural

Resource Type:

Category: building(s)

Historic Environment: urban

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): domestic

Known Design Source: Louis C. Roth, builder (?) and William P.  
Ehlen, developer/builder

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DESCRIPTION

This row is an Italianate version of the alley dwelling, the narrow street dictating that the stone stairs, with metal railings, be set parallel to the facade. Built between 1890 and 1901, the houses are a late Italianate form. They are built to be the standard brick, two-story, two-bay rowhouse dwelling with alternating window and door openings.

Both door and window openings are segmental. The row has a bracketed wooden cove cornice which is in good condition. The row, in general, is in better condition than many other alley examples.

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SIGNIFICANCE

This block of rowhouses was built in two phases: 2406-2424 and 2426-2430. On January 14, 1899, William B. and Clara P. Ehlen leased three lots of land on the southwest side of Stockton Street, 191'6" northwest of Cumberland Street. The description in the lease corroborates the distance from the corner to the lots at 2426-2430 Cumberland Street. (Liber R.O. 1770, Folio 29.) Unlike the other houses on the street, these three had a larger, two-story footprint, as opposed to a smaller two-story space and a one-story, rear back building.

City Directories of 1899 list William B. Ehlen's occupation as Real Estate and Notary Public. His office was at 5 E. Lexington, and his home in North Walbrook. There is no listing for a Louis C. Roth. A Louis Roth (no initial) is listed as a painter in 1900, at 509 Fremont Street. It is possible that this painter made a foray into building, but other possibilities are more likely: 1) that Ehlen was the developer/builder and Roth purchased the buildings as an investment, or 2) that the true Louis Roth, the builder, simply was not listed in the City Directory.

An interesting note is that the block immediately south of this one, the 2300 block of Stockton appears to have been developed by Ephraim Macht, a well-known developer. He is the lessor of several leases on that block of Stockton Street c. 1899. Macht appears to have been responsible for more than one street in the survey area: his name also appears on the block index for the west side of Vincent Alley, north of Patterson (now Laurens) in 1900 (Liber J.B. 1894, Folio 413); for the east side of Stricker, south of Presstman (Liber R.O. 2078, Folio 209); and for Kensett Street in Penn North 1906 (liber not recorded).

Unlike many alley streets which were occupied primarily by African-Americans at the turn of the century, Stockton was one of a minority of alley streets in Sandtown of both white and black residents. According to the 1900 census, the majority of the residents in the northern area of Sandtown were white.

SANDTOWN-WINCHESTER/PENN-NORTH  
RECONNAISSANCE-LEVEL SURVEY FORM

Survey No. B-4465

Neg. No. 5/30

Historic Name \_\_\_\_\_

Current Name/Use alley dwellings

Address(es) 2406-2430 Stockton Street

Resource/Property Type

- ☒ Rowhouses  
☐ Commercial Structure  
☐ Public/Institutional Building  
☐ Public Housing  
☐ Site  
☐ Other

☒ Attached  
☐ Freestanding

Note: \_\_\_\_\_

Stories 2 + B

Primary Material brick Secondary Material wood

Roof Form flat

No. of Bays in Unit/Facade 2 If Rowhouse: ☒ Flat Front ☐ Swell Front ☐ Porch

Window Type: ☐ Double-Hung ☐ 1/1 Sash ☐ 2/2 Sash ☐ 2/1 Sash ☐ Other Sash ☐ Transom  
Door Type: ☐ Single-Leaf ☐ Double-Leaf ☐ Number of panels (if visible) ☐ Transom

Architectural Style Italianate Date c. 1852-1901

**Summary/Noteworthy Features:** Italianate version of the alley dwelling, narrow street dictating that stairs be set parallel to the facade. Doors and windows not visible in this photograph. Bracketed cornice. Segmental door and window heads. Stone steps, with metal railings, set perpendicular to facades. Not in 1890 area.

Alterations: ☐ Formstone ☐ Stucco  
☐ Vinyl/Aluminum ☒ Window/Door Changes  
☐ Awnings ☐ Missing Cornice Elements  
☐ First-Floor Use Change ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Status: ☐ Occupied ☐ Vacant ☒ Mixed

NR Evaluation: ☒ Contributing ☐ Non-Contributing

Recommended for Intensive Level: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Surveyor: Joey Lampl

Affiliation: Robinson & Associates

Date: February-April 1992

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AV.

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PENNSYLVANIA

N. CAREY

ST.

PL.

3 CUMBERLAND

CUMBERLAND

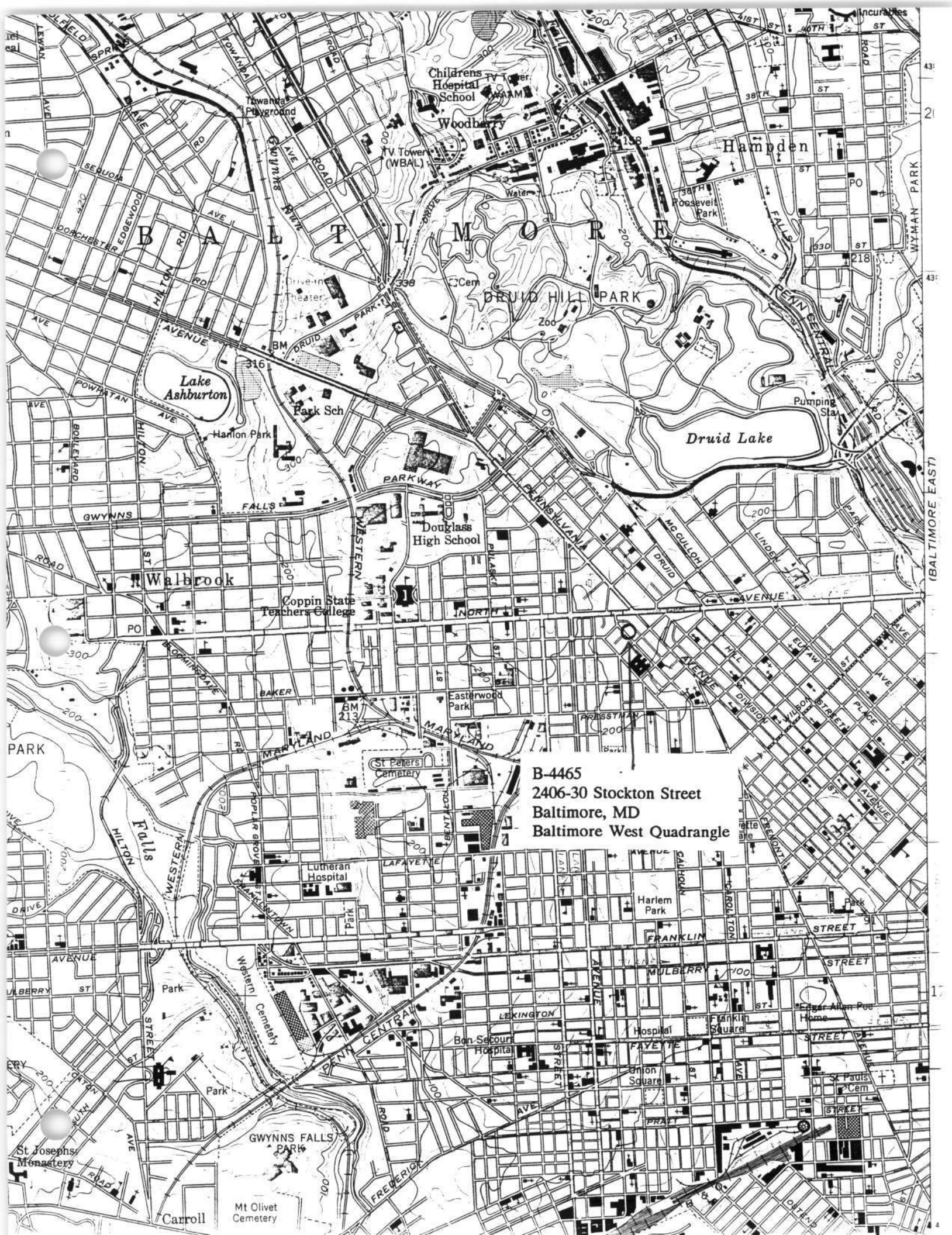
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Sanborn Map, 1901

N. CALHOUN

N. WOOD-LEAF ST.

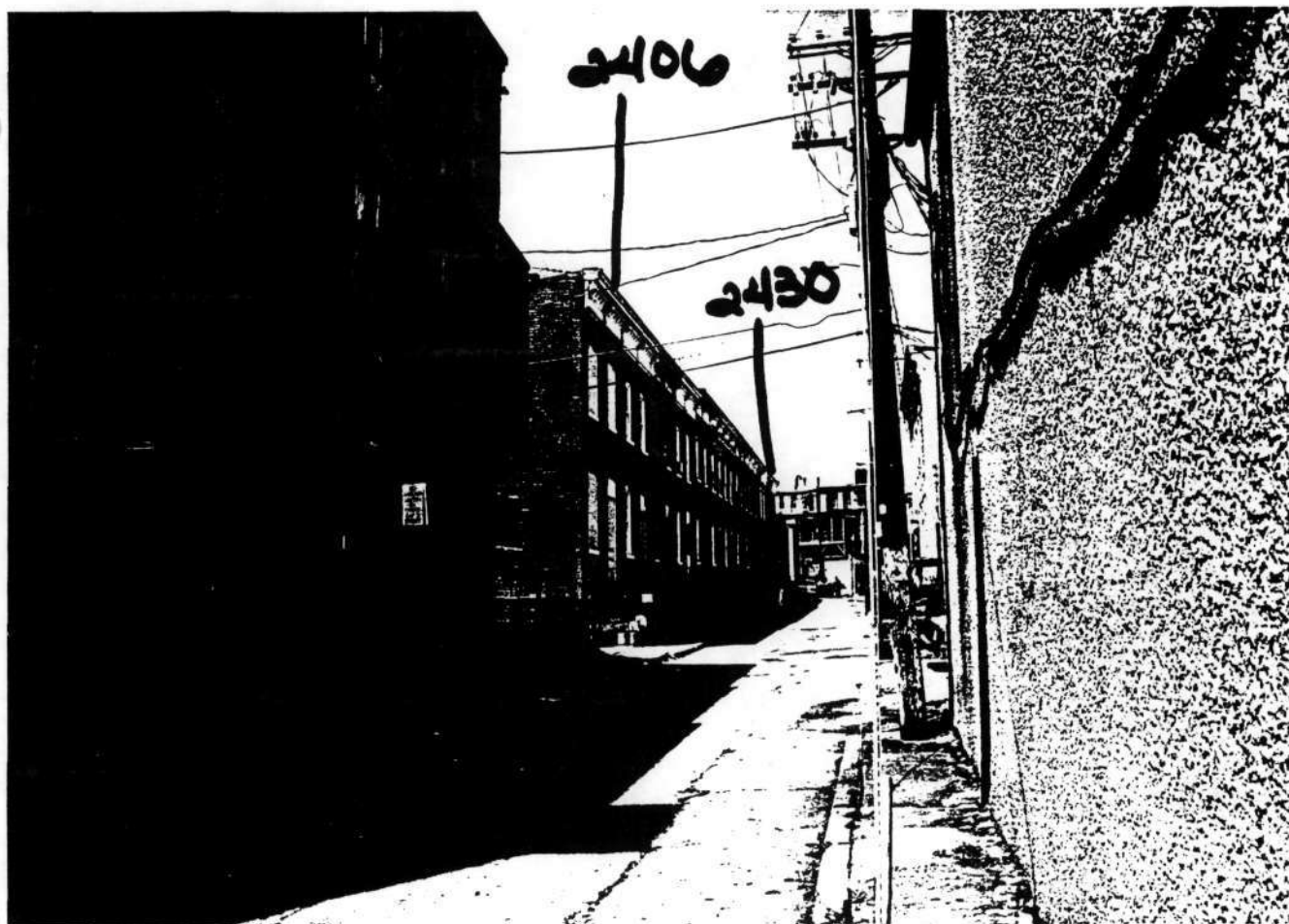
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MARCH 1992

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PRESERVATION

2406-30 STOCKTON ST. (ALLEY DWELLINGS)

NORTHEAST ELEVATION

ROLL 5/NEG 30

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NE ELEVATION  
ROLL 10 / NEG 5  
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